

IN THE DRAWINGS:

Please replace the first sheet of drawings with the attached "replacement" sheet.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is requested in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks. Claims 12, 19-25, 34, 42-44, 54-58, 60, 62 and 66 are pending in the application. Claims 1-11, 13-18, 26-33, 35-41, 45-53, 59, 61 and 63-65 were cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

In section 3 of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, the Examiner objects to the drawings filed 29 December 2008 as not reciting "Replacement," "New," or "Annotated" in the upper margin. A replacement sheet clearly reciting "replacement" in the upper margin is attached. An annotated version of this sheet clearly reciting "annotated" in the upper margin is also attached to show the corrections. The corrections to Figure 1 of this application show at least one user receiving a broadcast signal and conveying a signal to an input port of the another downstream combiner as the another upstream signal.

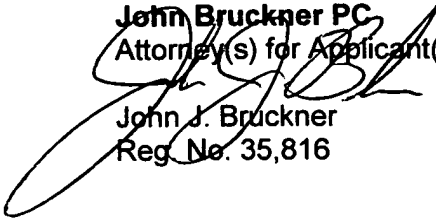
Other than as explicitly set forth above, this reply does not include acquiescence to statements in the Office Action. In view of the above, all the claims are considered patentable and allowance of all the claims is respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned (at direct line 928-226-1073) for prompt action in the event any issues remain that prevent the allowance of any pending claims.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a) pertaining to patent application processing fees, Applicant requests an extension of time from March 2, 2009 to May 2, 2009 in which to respond to the Notice dated February 2, 2009. A notification of extension of time is filed herewith.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-3204 of John Bruckner PC.

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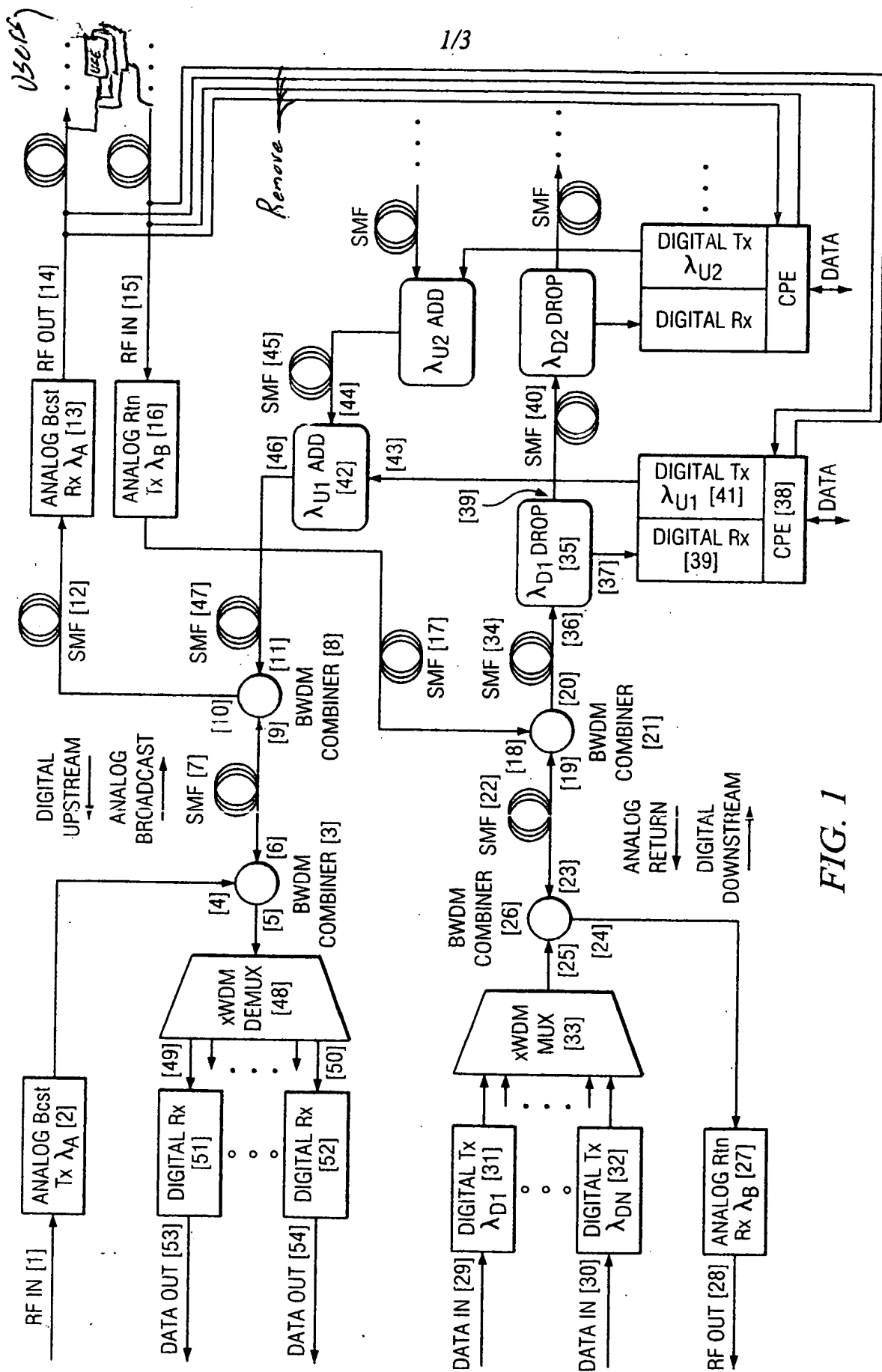


FIG. 1